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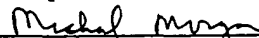
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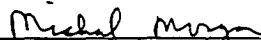
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	AA	5,608,012	3/4/97	Epple et al.	525	374	5/8/95
	AB	6,376,596	4/23/02	Barsotti et al.	524	500	5/14/97
	AC	6,462,144	10/8/02	Ramesh et al.	525	438	2/26/01
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	AG	EP 0 502 839	03.03.92	EP (1)	C08G	18/62	X	
	AH	WO00/18516	06.04.00	WO	B05D			X
	AI							
	AJ							

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	AK	Young H. Kim, entitled "Progress in Hyperbranched Polymers", (1999), page 61.
	AL	English Abstract on front page of the International Publication for WO00/18516
	AM	BASF Coatings AG, et al., USSN 09/470,405 filed 12/22/99.
	AP	BASF Coatings AG, et al., USSN 09/952,732 filed 9/14/01.
	AQ	BASF Coatings AG, et al., USSN 10/040,819 filed 1/7/02.
	AR	BASF Coatings AG, et al., USSN 10/106,000 filed 25.03.02.
	AS	Axel R. Brenner, et al., entitled "Hyperbranched Polymers: modification with flex Chains", (1995), Pages 176-177.

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	AD	5,447,998	9/5/95	Grady et al.	526	65	4/8/94
	AE	6,274,660	8/14/01	Zeller	524	379	2/3/99
	AF	5,690,569	11/25/97	Ledvina et al.	474	111	3/13/96
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	AJ	4,939,213	7/3/90	Jacobs, III et al.	525	329.9	12/19/88
	AK	4,710,542	12/1/87	Forgione et al.	525	127	5/16/86
	AL	4,754,014	6/28/88	Ryntz et al.	528	28	2/24/87
	AM	4,246,382	1/20/81	Honda et al.	526	79	11/6/78
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	AQ	English Abstract DE19600136
	AR	English Abstract for DE19600136
	AS	BASF Corp. et al., PCT/EP99/06042, 18. August 1999, entitled: Hyperbranched compounds with a tertrafunctional central group and use of same", pages 1-56 and abstract on 2 pages.
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